

Dear Judiciary Committee:

Hello, my name is Ryan Pulver. I am writing to oppose S.B. No.16. This will negatively impact law-abiding gun owners significantly more than it will impact the illegal gun owners in this state. I also find it outrageous that this has been put into one piece of legislation with changes to juvenile law. Juvenile law is an important issue that needs to be addressed but should be addressed solely in its own bill. I believe that many see the impacts of our current juvenile laws having no “teeth” and therefore this bill may receive support simply for that basis. This is a lengthy bill that needs to be reexamined at great length and address specific topics of concern in separate measures. Mixing so many issues into one bill is simply lousy politics. I urge you to consider the totality of the weight of this bill and oppose it.

I am also writing in opposition to H.B. No. 5416 as this will not prevent crime and illegal guns throughout our state. Rather this will once again continue to deteriorate the rights of law-abiding citizens wishing to exercise their rights in this state. This will also impose restrictions on the law-abiding and reputable gun dealers that worked diligently these past few years to accommodate many issues brought on by the state due to the background checks not being completed in a timely manner. This prevented these firearms dealers from making transactions to law-abiding citizens. It seems rather inappropriate to set forth more laws that will further impede law-abiding citizens and firearms dealers when they have in fact been nothing but accommodating and exercised patience and compassion throughout this state’s issues regarding firearms transfers and background checks. Responsible law-abiding gun owners and gun dealers simply do not have a hand in the violent crimes occurring in this state and therefore should not be held responsible for the actions of others that choose not to follow the laws and continue to be unaccountable for their actions.

In regards to raised S.B. No. 388, raised H.B. No. 5415, and raised H.B. No. 5412 I am in support of these.

Respectfully,

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